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Various New Mexico cities will get just over \$5 million for 28 new police officers under the federal Community Oriented Police Services grant.

The Santa Fe Police Department will get funding for eight new police officers. The cities of Española and Mora will get one officer each. Farmington can hire five.

"At a time when many law enforcement agencies are struggling with budget cuts, these grants will provide assistance to hire and rehire police officers," U.S. Rep. Ben Ray Luján, D-N.M., said in a statement. "These funds mean keeping police officers on the streets to help keep communities throughout New Mexico safe — while providing an economic boost to our state."